

Honorable Hunt,

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Swigton

The condition of children's TV is implorable. There is very little worthwhile programs for children today. In a day where so many children are placed (or allowed to) sit in front of the TV, there should at least be something (productive, educational, non-violent) programs to watch.

There needs to be alternative programs on regular TV (not pay TV or cable) that are better children or family oriented (totally non-violent).

We need to find the time, money, & expertise to come up w/ better programming. In our society today we need to better educate our children and do away with this garbage that is being shown today.

I am tired of the garbage that continues to be broadcast at peak viewing times for our families, and especially for the children.

The National PTA has been trying to get your attention for over 20 years on this issue.

As Americans become more desensitized to acts of violence and abuse, the lower our standards as a Nation continue to go.

Where is the Children's Television Act? It is the law and you are not following it. You have an obligation to the public to see that all networks comply with this law. - Vicki Enos, Ky. PTA.

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The Honorable Mr. Hundt,

The National PTA, and the Iowa PTA, are asking that the FCC do what is required by law: that network and cable TV air programs "specifically designed to serve the educational and informational needs of children."

Please do not yield to television conglomerates over the concerns of our children and youth. We must all change our focus of concern to what is best for the youngest segment of our society and away from lining our pockets.

Sincerely,  
Laurie Musel, Iowa PTA <sup>U.P.</sup>

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Dear Chairman Peck,  
as a parent and grandparent, I have  
long been concerned about the limited  
efforts that commercial TV stations  
have made to provide quality  
children's programming. Stranger Police  
are urgently needed to correct this  
problem. Sincerely, Carolyn Baxter  
1160 Pine Tree Dr.  
Girard PA 16417

I believe when it is looked back upon  
years ago, it wasn't so bad not to  
have a T.V. to occupy one's spare  
time. If we all focus on this  
possibly we can bring some of the  
"good old times" back into the  
present. It is sorely missed by  
many.

Thanks,  
PTSA President Anna Billiot

The quality of TV viewing for children + parents is SAD - one wonders if the country is so devoid of talent that better program content, + moral + ethical values just can't be produced + viewed on TV. Frankly in my house, we encourage the T.V. to be OFF. Please improve quality + hire talent to improve TV for CHILDREN + parents. <sup>for use of evidence.</sup> Also would like to see decent on POSITIVE NEWS - let's hear about the wonderful talent we have in this country. Give us ratings of program. Nancy Adinger Arizona

Dear Mr. Humolt,

The rising tide of violence within the teen community is living testament for the need for more educational and informational programming in America.

This type of programming is necessary to combat the gross acts of violence children and teens are subjected to in TV programming now.

Sincerely,  
Heather Paulson

Dear Hon. Hundt,

I write to you as the mother of three young boys who love T.V. and who would watch every physically violent children's program if they could. They are loving and compassionate children who could be easily influenced by other more positive programs provided more choice were available. We subscribe to cable TV. and constantly encourage their choices to be Arts+Entertainment channels and PBS shows.

We work hard as parents to monitor and guide their choice of TV. programs. I urge you and all the members of the FCC to reflect on the impact of such violence as it is exploited by the media upon our kids. Our society at large is suffering from too much violence and it is very disconcerting to know our youth becomes increasingly violent each day. Please act responsibly. Barbara Rukdashel

Dear sir -

After several years of implementation since the Children's Television Act was passed, I have noticed little improvement in the quantity or quality of children's programming. Our local stations feel they are in compliance with the act, but it is difficult to judge. For example, several programs the stations list as "educational & informational" do not meet that requirement in my opinion. Also, it would be helpful if there were guidelines about time frames - much of the "children's" programming in our area is in the very early morning hours; very little in prime time. Networks & Stations need to be encouraged to listen to the desires of local communities. Shula Armstrong  
Utah PTA

On behalf of Haddon Hill Middle School PTSA I  
am writing to request that the FCC enforce the  
Children's Television Act of 1991 by requiring  
more television programming specifically designed  
to serve the educational and informational needs of  
children, ~~limiting~~ limiting the amount of violent and sexually  
oriented programming, and increasing educational,  
variety, family-oriented programming. PSAs and  
cartoons are not children's programming. Through sad,  
children look to television for guidance and education.  
Young children do not need violence ~~and~~ as their  
examples for life they need guidance toward positive change.  
Christine Terrino, President PTSA.

Dear Mr. Hendt,

As a very active member of a local, regional, and state PTA, I want to let you know I am disgusted with what is seen on television today. I am not referring to cable TV only, but to the regular network programs. I demand that the programming reflect more the good & healthy morals of parents who are trying to raise capable young people to lead this country. Good leaders cannot be raised on murder, pornography, or vice -

Sincerely, Kathryn Colvin

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Is the world a better place?  
Is violence decreasing?  
Are less children dropping out  
of school?

Are you contributing to a  
social disease or trying to  
help cure? I think ~~not~~ and you could,  
*long journey*

I am writing to let the FCC know that I believe there should be better screening for family & children's television programming. I oppose the previews to adult shows being shown before 9:00 pm. I know that the language (vulgar & sexual) should be & can be greatly improved. I feel the violence is hurting our children. Please force the FCC to <sup>enforce more TV regulations</sup> follow the law passed in 1991.

Sincerely, Mrs. Barbara Rockley, 589 Churchview Ave.  
Pittsburgh PA 15236

Dear Sir,

I write this postcard as I take part in the NPTA Convention 1994 - Las Vegas. We as concerned parents & educators feel strongly that the violence on TV today, truly affects our children's behavior. As a teacher's aide in an elementary school I see firsthand the effects of a child having watched "Power Rangers" before coming to school for the day. Some of these children do not understand that you cannot "play" in the manner which they see the persons on TV do. We must together find alternatives for these children to view.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Schmelmer